# **IBM 9370 Information System**



# IBM 9370 Information System— the evolution continues

The IBM 9370 Information System is a modular, high-performance family of information processing systems designed to provide mainframe power and functions in a versatile, compact package.

## IBM 9370 Information System hardware

The family consists of four processor models: the 9373 Model 20, the 9375 Models 40 and 60, and the 9377 Model 90. This selection affords wide performance and growth ranges—over five times from the smallest model to the largest—for both commercial and intensive computing environments.

The system also includes a choice of input/output (I/D) subsystem controllers, a choice of direct access storage devices (OASD) and tape units, two types of I/O card units and the processor console. The basic IBM 9370 System components fit neatly into one of two compact rack enclosures. The enclosures house system cables and also serve as a common power source for rack-mounted components. The following are important specifications and characteristics of each component:

## 9309 Rack Enclosure

- -Available in two models: Model 1 is 39.3 inches (1 meter) high; Model 2 is 62.1 inches (1.58 meters) high.
- —The mounting space in the rack required by equipment is described in Electronic Industries Association (EIA) units. Dne EIA unit = 1.75 inches (4.45 cm).
- Models 1 and 2 provide 19 and 32 EIA units of mounting space, respectively.
- -Holds EIA standard RS-310-B equipment.
- Holds system components: processors,
   DASD and tape units.

Rack enclosure combinations

 Rack enclosures can be combined into larger configurations depending on your information processing needs.

Rack enclosure features

- —Small "footprint" reduces floor space needed for the system.
- Provides power for rack-mounted devices.
- -Solid side, top and bottom panels.
- Open front for easy installation of equipment.
- Removable rear door allows easy access when required.
- —All cables enter and exit in back of enclosure.
- Power distribution unit mounted within enclosure provides six AC power outlets.
- Emergency power off (EPD) control provided for each enclosure.

## IBM 9370 System processors

- Choice of four processor models: 9373
   Model 20, 9375 Models 40 and 60, and the 9377 Model 90.
- Processors differ in memory size, performance and in number of I/O subsystem controllers permitted.

#### IBM 9373 Processor

9373 Processor features

- -Entry-level processor of the IBM 9370 family.
- —Packaged in an 8 EIA unit, rackmountable module.
- Resides in Model 1 rack enclosure using either 120 or 220 volt power, or in Model 2 using 220 volt power.
- Provides an aggregate I/D capacity of up to 5.5 megabytes per second.
- A maximum of four I'O subsystem controllers can be attached.
- —Supports the following I/O subsystem controllers:

Up to two DASD Tape Subsystem Controllers to attach 9332 or 9335 DASDs, or 9347 Magnetic Tape Units.

Up to two Workstation Subsystem Controllers to attach intelligent and general-purpose workstations.

Up to two Communications Subsystem Controllers to attach telecommunications lines, ASCII terminals, or local area network subsystems compatible with the IBM Token-Ring (IEEE 802.5) or IEEE 802.3 (Ethernet ") standard specifications.

One System'370 Block Multiplexer Channel for control-unit-attached devices (except DASD). When attached to this channel on a 9373 Processor,

9370 System

in 9309 Model 1

these devices may have a data rate of up to 1.5 megabytes per second.

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## 9373 Processor highlights

- —A buffer reduces the time required to access the main memory by eliminating the need to translate storage addresses in the buffer.
- Floating-point hardware reduces the time needed to do floating-point instructions.

## 9373 Processor main memory sizes:

- -4 megabytes-standard
- -8 megabytes-optional
- -16 megabytes-optional

## 9373 Processor unit

- Contains one card enclosure which holds processor logic, memory and I O subsystem controller cards.
- —Card enclosure has seven slots for I/O subsystem controller cards.

## 9370 System in 9309 Model 2 Rack Enclosure





## IBM 9375 Processor

9375 Processor features

- Intermediate-level processor of the IBM 9370 family.
- Available in two models: the Model 40 and the more powerful Model 60. The Model 40 is field-upgradeable to the Model 60. Both can be upgraded to the 9377 Processor.
- Packaged in a 16 EIA unit, rackmountable module.
- Resides in Model 1 or Model 2 rack enclosures using 220 volt power.
- Provides an aggregate I/O capacity of up to 22.0 megabytes per second.
- —Has 17 feature slots to which a maximum of 16 of the following I/O subsystem controllers can attach:

Up to four OASO. Tape Subsystem Controllers to attach 9332 or 9335 DASOs, or 9347 Magnetic Tape Units.

Up to six Workstation Subsystem Controllers to attach intelligent and general-purpose workstations.

Up to four Communications Subsystem Controllers to attach communications lines, ASCII terminals, or local area network subsystems compatible with the IBM Token-Ring (IEEE 802.5) or IEEE 802.3 (Ethernet ") standard specifications.

Up to two System/370 Block Multiplexer Channels for connecting controlunit-attached devices. 9375 Processor highlights

- A data storage unit contains a highspeed buffer storage of 16 kilobytes, allowing the processing unit faster access to data. (Available only on the Model 60.)
- An instruction storage unit contains a buffer which reduces the time required to access storage.
- High Performance Arithmetic Unit provides hardware support for single-, double-, and extended-precision floating-point operations. It contains eight 64-bit floating-point registers and provides hardware for addition, subtraction, multiplication, division and square root operations.

9375 Processor main memory sizes Each model is available with:

- -8 megabytes-standard
- -16 megabytes-optional

9375 Processor unit

 Contains two card enclosures which hold the processor logic, main memory cards, and 17 feature slots for I O subsystem controller cards.

## IBM 9377 Processor

9377 Processor features

- High-performance processor of the IBM 9370 family.
- Packaged in a 16 EIA unit, rackmountable module.
- Resides in Model 2 rack enclosure using 220 volt power.
- Air-cooled Thermal Conduction Module (TCM) technology.
- -Floating-point accelerator hardware.
- —High Accuracy Arithmetic Facility (ACRITH).
- Provides an aggregate I O capacity of up to 39.0 megabytes per second.
- A maximum of 16 | 0 subsystem controllers can be attached.
- —Supports the following I O subsystem controllers:

Up to 12 OASD Tape Subsystem Controllers to attach 9332 or 9335 OASOs, or 9347 Tape Units.

Up to 12 Workstation Subsystem Controllers to attach intelligent and general-purpose workstations.

Up to 12 Communications Subsystem Controllers to attach telecommunications lines, ASCII terminals or local area network subsystems compatible with the IBM Token-Ring (IEEE 802.5) or IEEE 802.3 (Ethernet ") standard specifications.

Up to 12 System 370 Block Multiplexer Channels for connecting controlunit-attached devices. 9377 Processor highlights

- A high-speed buffer storage of 16 kilobytes acts as a smaller and faster subset of processor memory.
- A micro-instruction storage of 8 kilobytes holds complex and less frequently used micro-instructions.
- A buffer reduces the time required to access main memory.

9377 Processor main memory sizes:

- -8 megabytes-standard
- -16 megabytes-optional

9377 Processor unit

 Lower half holds processor logic module, upper half holds main memory cards.

Note: Unlike other IBM 9370 System processors, the 9377 Processor unit does not hold I/O subsystem controller cards. The I/O subsystem controller cards are placed in I/O card units. I/O card units can be in the same rack enclosure as the processor or in another rack enclosure. One I/O card unit with ten I/O subsystem controller feature slots is standard. Additional I/O card units can be added. The maximum configuration is 54 slots.

Processor unit for 9375 Models 40 and 60 and 9377 Model 90

Processor unit for 9373 Model 20





## Subsystem controllers

Input/Output subsystem controllers I/O devices attach to IBM 9370 System processors through integrated I/O subsystem controllers. These are logic cards that act as control units and directly attach I/O devices. In addition, the System/370 Block Multiplexer Channel card attaches System/370 channel devices and control units. The types and number of I/O subsystem controllers used will vary from system to system.

DASD/Tape Subsystem Controller

- Attaches 9332 DASDs (368 megabyte),
   9335 DASDs (824 megabyte), or 9347
   Magnetic Tape Units to the processor.
- —Can be used in the same rack enclosure as the devices it attaches, or can be in another rack enclosure.
- —Combines its I/O processor and I/O adapter functions on one card, requiring only one card slot.
- At least one DASD attached via one DASD/Tape Subsystem Controller is needed for any I/O subsystem controller other than the System/370 Block Multiplexer Channel (in order to store and load microcode).
- Dne DASD Tape Subsystem Controller can attach up to four 9332 DASDs, or one 9335 A01 with up to four 9335 B01 DASDs, or one 9347 Magnetic Tape Unit.
- Dne 9347 Magnetic Tape Unit and one to four 9332 DASDs will operate in mixed mode on one DASD/Tape Subsystem Controller.

Workstation Subsystem Controller

—Attaches the IBM 3270 Information Display System devices and Serial Original Equipment Manufacturer Interface (SOEMI) devices to the processor, either directly or through IBM 3299 Terminal Multiplexers. Attachable devices include:

3270 Information Display System devices—intelligent and general-purpose, such as personal computers, display stations and printers.

SDEMI devices—for a variety of applications, such as factory automation, data acquisition, measurement control, robotics, process control, communications, local area networking, medical instrumentation and laboratory automation. SOEMI devices attach through an appropriate OEM adapter, which you must supply.

- -The Workstation Subsystem Controller consists of the Workstation Processor card and the Workstation Adapter card.
- —The Workstation Adapter card has six coaxial ports, each of which can attach to a local device, DEM adapter or terminal multiplexer.
- —Up to four terminal multiplexers can be attached per adapter. This allows for more terminals to be attached, longer cable lengths and greater cabling flexibility.
- —Up to 32 devices can be supported per adapter.

Communications subsystem controllers

—Four types are available:
The ASCII Subsystem Controller
IBM Token-Ring Subsystem (IEEE
802.5) Controller

The IEEE 802.3 (Ethernet \*) Local Area Network (LAN) Subsystem Controller The Telecommunication Subsystem Controller.

## The ASCII Subsystem Controller:

- —Lets you attach a variety of asynchronous devices, such as display stations, printers, plotters, development systems, graphics equipment and personal computers, to the IBM 9370 System.
- —IBM devices that can be attached include the 3101 Display Terminal, the 3161/3163 Display Terminals and the IBM Personal Computer.
- —The ASCII Subsystem Controller consists of the Communications Processor card and up to four Asynchronous Four-line Communication Adapter cards.
- Each Adapter card supports up to four asynchronous communications lines for attaching ASCII devices to the IBM 9370 System.
- -The maximum number of lines available in a subsystem is 16.
- -The maximum number of lines supported depends on the line speeds and the number of I/D feature slots available. (For additional information, see "Planning for Your System" (GA24-4032), Chapter: "Planning Your Communications.")
- —The ASCII subsystem supports three modes of operation for ASCII terminals:
   ASCII support mode
   ASCII/3270 conversion mode
   ASCII 3270 transparent mode.

The IBM Token-Ring Subsystem Controller

- Consists of the Communications Processor and one IBM Token-Ring Adapter.
- Provides access to a high-speed (4 megabit per second) IBM Token-Ring Network compatible with IEEE 802.5 standard for interconnecting information processing equipment.
- —The maximum number of stations supported per subsystem is 64.
  For details, see "IBM Token-Ring Network Introduction and Planning Guide" (GA27-3677).

# The IEEE 802.3 Local Area Network (LAN) Subsystem Controller

- Consists of the Communications Processor card and one IEEE 802.3 LAN
   Adapter card.
- —The adapter provides a physical link and access control compatible with IEEE 802.3 (Ethernet<sup>\*\*</sup>) local area network standard for interconnecting information processing equipment.
- —With appropriate programming support, you can communicate with other Ethernet \* local area network-attached hosts, controllers, and workstations in the IBM and non-IBM environments where matching protocols are available.

The Telecommunications Subsystem Controller

- —Allows you to attach your 9370 System to public networks: non-switched telegraph lines, public switched telephone networks, or non-switched voice grade lines.
- —Attach asynchronous devices to your 9370 System directly or through display controllers with ASCII support, such as the 3174 Control Unit.

The Telecommunications Subsystem consists of the Communications Processor card plus up to three Multi-Protocol Two-line Adapter cards or up to three Asynchronous Four-line Communications Adapters, or a combination of both.

It allows attachment for communications lines using the following protocols:

- -Synchronous Data Link Control (SDLC) lines to 64K bps.
- Binary Synchronous Communications (BSC), Asynchronous, High-level Data Link Control (HOLC/X.25) lines up to 19.2K bps.

The maximum number of lines supported depends on protocol selected, line speeds, and the number of feature slots available. (For additional information, see "Planning for Your System" (GA 24-4032), Chapter: "Planning Your Communications.")

## System/370 Block Multiplexer Channel

- —The System/370 Channel consists of a single card containing a standard System/370 block multiplexer channel and associated connection hardware.
- It lets you attach one to eight control units for OASO, tape, displays, printers and other devices.

- The channel can operate in data streaming mode at up to 3.0 megabytes per second for attaching high-speed DASDs.
- The IBM 9370 System can be attached to a 4381 channel-to-channel adapter to provide a fast communication path between two systems.

## Card units

1/O card units (9377 Processor only) I'O card units are available to hold I/O controller cards for the 9377 Processor. They offer ample space for I/O subsystem controllers and can accommodate even very large I/O subsystem controller configurations. I/O card units are attached to the 9377 Processor through I O card unit adapters. Each adapter provides two attachment positions. One adapter is standard and two more may be added. This provides a maximum of six attachment positions. Two types of 1/0 card units are available: an 1/0 card unit that uses one attachment position and an LO card unit that uses two attachment positions. One I/O card unit is standard and it uses two attachment positions.

1/0 card unit using one attachment position

This I 0 card unit can hold eleven 1 0 subsystem controller cards of the following types:

- -DASD Tape Subsystem Controller
- -Workstation Subsystem Controller
- Communications Subsystem Controller.

I/O card unit using two attachment positions

This I.O card unit can hold ten I/O subsystem controller cards of the following types:

- -System/370 Block Multiplexer Channel
- -OASD/Tape Subsystem Controller
- -Workstation Subsystem Controller
- -Communications Subsystem.

This type of I/O card unit must be used if you want to attach a System/370 Block Multiplexer Channel to the 9377 Processor.

## 9332 Direct Access Storage Device

The 9332 OASD provides a medium-capacity, high-performance disk storage device with an integrated device function controller. It attaches to IBM 9370 System processors through the OASO/Tape Subsystem Controller. Up to four 9332 OASOs can be attached to one DASO/Tape Subsystem Controller. The 9332 is a fixed disk that supports fixed-block record format. It has a capacity of 368 megabytes.

## 9332 specifications

Data storage characteristics		
Type of disk drive	Fixed	
Disk diameter	8 27 inches (21.0 cm	
Number of disk	4	

Number of disk
platters 4

Number of recording
surfaces 8

Type of actuator Rotary

Number of actuators 2

Read/write heads per
actuator 4

Format
Fixed-block record format

Track allocation

Bands per surface 1
Data tracks per band 1,349
Sectors per track 74
Data bytes per sector 512

Capacity
Single track 37,883 bytes
Cylinder 303,104 bytes
Total available 368 megabytes

Performance

Rotational speed 3,119 rpm (revolutions per minute)

Average latency 9.6 milliseconds

Seek times (with head change)

Track-to-track 3 to 5 milliseconds Average 23 to 25 milliseconds

Data transfer rate (instantaneous)

2 6 megabytes per second

## 9335 Direct Access Storage Subsystem

9335-A01
Device Function
Controller



9335-B01 Direct Access Storage



9332 Direct Access Storage Device



## 9335 Direct Access Storage Subsystem

The 9335 Subsystem provides largecapacity, high-performance disk storage devices and associated control functions. It includes the following: Model A01 Device Function Controller and Model B01 Direct Access Storage Units.

Model A01 Device Function Controller
The 9335 Model A01 Controller
attaches to the IBM 9370 System processors through the DASD Tape Subsystem Controller. One Model A01 can be attached to one DASD Tape Subsystem
Controller. The Model A01 controls up to four Model B01 units.

Model B01 Direct Access Storage
The 9335 Model B01 unit is a fixed disk
drive that supports fixed-block record
format. It has a capacity of 824 megabytes.

#### 9335 specifications

## Data storage characteristics

Data storage characte	ristics
Type of disk drive	Fixed
Disk diameter	14 inches (35.56 cm)
Number of disk platters	3
Number of recording surfaces	6
Actuator type	Rotary
Number of actuators	2
Read/write heads per actuator	6
Format	
Fixed-block record for	mat
Track allocation	
Bands per surface	2
Data tracks per band	1,963
Sectors per track	71 ( + 1 spare)
Data bytes per sector	512
Capacity	
Single track	36,352 bytes
Cylinder	218,112 bytes
Total available	824.0 megabytes
Performance	
Rotational speed	3,623 rpm (revolutions per minute)
Average latency	8.28 milliseconds
Seek times (with head Track-to-track Average Maximum	change) 4.5 milliseconds 18.0 milliseconds 37.0 milliseconds
Data transfer rate (instantaneous)	3.0 megabytes per second

## 9347 Magnetic Tape Unit

The 9347 Magnetic Tape Unit is an auto-loading magnetic tape unit with an integrated device function controller. It uses standard 0.5-inch wide magnetic tape and is a data-streaming tape drive. Dne 9347 Magnetic Tape Unit can attach to one DASD/Tape Subsystem Controller. However, one tape unit and one to four IBM 9332 DASDs will operate in mixed mode on one DASD/Tape Subsystem Controller.

# 9347 Magnetic Tape Unit specifications Data storage characteristics

Data Storage Characteristics			
Media	Standard 0.5-inch tape (7-, 8.5-, or 10.5-inch) reel		
Capacity	40MB at 1,600 bpi (bits per inch)		
Recording method	1,600 bpi, phase encoded ANSI		
Performance			
Tape speeds	25 ips (inches per second) at 1,600 bpi (non-streaming) 100 ips at 1,600 bpi (streaming)		
Data transfer rates (instantaneous)	40KB sec at 25 ips 160KB sec at 100 ips		

## IBM 9370 System Processor Console

- Provides overall system control; it attaches directly to the IBM 9370 processors through a cable.
- —Each IBM 9370 System processor is shipped with a processor console; the processor console is not rackmountable but requires a flat surface (table) for use.
- —It is the principal device for the operator to communicate with the system with the processor itself, with an application program, or with the operating system.

## Processor console support

- Remote Service Facility (RSF) provides capability to analyze problems remotely from an IBM support center to speed repair.
- Remote Dperation Facility (RDF) allows an operator at a central site to control a remote IBM 9370 System.
- -Automatic Restart after power failure.
- —An optional Automated Power Controls feature is available for the IBM 9370 processors and includes: Remote External Power-Dn, Timed Power-Dn, Programmed Power-Dff.

## Processor console functions

- Initializes the system by doing basic hardware verification tests and loading microcode and data into the processor during system start-up.
- Monitors the system by automatically checking for errors and taking corrective actions in case of malfunction.

9370 System processor console

9347 Magnetic Tape Unit





- Analyzes machine checks when they occur by collecting and analyzing hardware failure information.
- —Handles errors by storing timestamped detailed error information and reference codes in case of malfunction.
- Supports manual operations by allowing the operator to display and alter storage contents, or set the time for automatic power-on.
- —Supports problem determination by helping the operator do online problem analysis. Provides detailed information on what to do in case of system malfunctions.
- Remote Console Access allows the processor console to be operated over telephone lines.
- Remote Console Operation allows the processor console of one IBM 9370
   System to operate the processor console of another 9370 System.

# IBM 9370 System software requirements

IBM 9370 System processors use proven IBM System/370 architecture. This compatibility allows the use of System/370 operating systems and protects the investment of users with System/370 application programs. IBM 9370 processors offer the full System/370 instruction set, 16 general-purpose registers and the Virtual Memory capability associated with System/370 architecture.

The 9370 System supports four proven IBM operating systems:

- —Virtual Machine/System Product (VM/SP), a multi-user, multiprocessing system designed especially for interactive processing and engineering/ scientific computing.
- Virtual Storage Extended/System Package (VSE/SP), a full-function operating system designed primarily for transaction, batch and mixed processing environments.
- —IBM Interactive Executive for System/ 370 (IX/370), an IBM implementation of UNIX<sup>™</sup> providing portability and program development support for multitasking environments.
- Multiple Virtual Storage/System Product (MVS/SP), useful primarily where compatibility with a central MVS computer is important.

These operating systems operate on all IBM 9370 System processors, with the following exception: MVS/SP is supported only on the 9375 Model 60 Processor and the 9377 Processor.

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## Operating environment

9373 and 9375 Processors-Class C

- —Temperature—10 to 40.6 degrees C (50 to 105 degrees F).
- -Relative humidity-8 to 80 percent.
- -Wet bulb-26.7 degrees C (80 degrees F).

9377 Processor-Class B Extended

- —Temperature–10 to 32.2 degrees C (50 to 90 degrees F).
- -Relative humidity-8 to 80 percent.
- -Wet bulb-22.8 degrees C (73 degrees F).

9370 System Processor Console-Class B

- —Temperature–15.6 to 32.2 degrees C (60 to 90 degrees F).
- -Relative humidity-8 to 80 percent.
- -Wet bulb-22.8 degrees C (73 degrees F).

## Physical specifications

EIA Units	Height mm (inches)	Width mm (inches)	Depth mm (inches)	Weight kg (lbs)
8	356 (14)	483 (19)	711 (28)	60 (132)
16	711 (28)	483 (19)	782 (31)	127 (280)
16	711 (28)	483 (19)	782 (31)	122 (268)
8	356 (14)	483 (19)	622 (24)	41 (90)
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In Model 1 rack

## Rack enclosure requirements

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on 120 volts single pha (2.4 KVA) 220 volts single pha (5 KVA)	
Footprint: 7.8 square feet (.72 sq m)	
Model 1: 39.3 inches (1 meter) high Model 2: 62.1 inches (1.6 meter) high	
53 dBA	
10 to 40.6 degrees C (50 to 105 degrees F)	

<sup>\*</sup>Configuration-dependent

## Planning information

The IBM 9370 System processors are designed for setup by customers. At your request, IBM will perform setup of the IBM 9370 for a charge. Processors and rack-mountable devices or features which are ordered with the IBM 9309 Rack Enclosure will be installed in the Rack Enclosure at the factory. Customers are responsible for determining system configuration requirements, unpacking the processor or the rack assembly, positioning the processor or the rack enclosure in the prescribed location, setting up stabilizing hardware, routing power and signal cables, and performing a device operational checkout. Simple step-by-step instructions and setup manuals will lead you through setup of the processor console, rack-mounted units, connection to external units and communications facilities

## IBM 9370 Information System hardware overview

Processor	9373	9375	9377
Memory	4-16MB	8-16MB	8-16MB
9332/9335 DASD	368MB6.6GB	368MB-13.2GB	368MB-39.6GB
System/370 Channels	0-1	0-2	0—12
Aggregate I/O Capacity	Up to 5.5MB/sec	Up to 22MB/sec	Up to 39MB/sec
Communication Controllers	2	4	12
Workstation Controllers	2	6	12
OASO/Tape Controllers	2	4	12
Maximum I/O Slots	7	17	54
Estimated			

Estimated

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